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On the alleged "settlement"

Please actually punish Microsoft for their actions. While I applaud you finding them guilty of / for their monopolistic practices, the "remedy" posed in the settlement you have reached does nothing more than say "Gosh, you were bad. You shouldn't be the huge monopoly you are. We won't do anything to prevent you from furthering your monopoly, or even punish you for getting where you did. Just know that we are all awfully upset with you. Remember to continue donating huge sums of money to the political party of your choice. Or both, as that covers all your bases."

No penalty. No reason for them to stop doing what they are doing. This is a "settlement"?

I wish I could donate dollar for dollar against them, but I'm just a citizen, so I guess they win.

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